

GOSSIP OF LONDON.
BRITAIN PREFERS AUTONOMY OF
CRETE TO BLOCKADE OF ISLAND.
WOLSELEY ON INDIAN TROOPS.

He says He would not like to see
Them Placed Before Europeans—
Socialism, American Populism, and
Free Silver.

(Special Cable Letter.)
LONDON, August 1.—A Cabinet council,
lasting over two hours, was held yester-
day, at which it is understood that the
Russo-French proposal to establish a
blockade of the island of Crete was the
subject under consideration. Subsequent
to the adjournment of the council the
opinion was expressed at the Foreign
Office that Lord Salisbury was opposed
to the adoption of the proposal for a
blockade, and would prefer to be taken by
counter-proposals for the granting of au-
tonomy to the island.

The Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, first Lord
of the Treasury, and Conservative leader
in the House of Commons, said to a
member of the lobby of the House last
night that he expected to go on a holiday
to Whittingham on the 17th instant.

Field-Marshal Lord Wolseley, com-
mander-in-chief of the British forces, has
created a sensation by a statement by him
to the Indian military commission, on the
subject of the Indian troops in front of
European troops. Military officers now in
England, who have served in India, declare
that there is no ground for General Lord
Wolseley's remarks.

The Indian troops, they declare, are
an admirable fighting force, equal in
every way to the soldiers of Russia or
any other country.

Wolseley's action has caused indignation
among all sides, and has placed him in
an evil odor.

The disgraceful proceedings that marked
the last two days' sessions of the Social-
ist congress have further increased the
animosity of the real workmen against
those Socialists whose principal, if not
their sole, labor is done with their
tongues. Such an utter disorderly
proceedings has seldom been seen in Lon-
don, and the effect produced will surely
cause Socialists and Socialism to sink their
heads into public disrepute.

It is not believed that the congress
will have any result whatever, beneficial
or otherwise, beyond affording the for-
eign delegates a holiday in England. The
majority are rank bathosists, whose
principal aim is to make a show of their
internationalism in general, and the
workman in particular, are utterly
scapable of fulfillment.

SILVER AND POPULISM.
The English Socialist leaders and their
organs, in commenting on the silver
question, are full of Populism in
America. They deal with them as offering
more of promise than of immediate fulfil-
ment. Mr. Hyndman writes in the Dem-
ocratic, "The silver question need not be
regarded with satisfaction by the Socialists."
"Currency jugglers," he adds, "are only
drawings to draw the working-people off
the right track, largest in circulation of the
red-gal, argues, says:

"If the American voter imagines that
Democratic bimetallism or Populism im-
port duties will make any difference to
him, he is deluding himself. The blood-
suckers will get there all the same, un-
less the people rise up to demand their
own by proclaiming an out-and-out Social-
ist platform."

Another Socialism concludes that the issues
now are long to be favorable to socialism.
By and by, says another Socialist paper,
the workers of the United States will see
that the real issues are more than free
silver and free trade.

THE LEADERS OF THE GREAT LONDON DOCK
STRIKE OF 1889 are organizing another of
equal magnitude. Messrs. Tom Mann,
Ben Tillet, and J. H. Wilson are working
to get the various Thames unions to
federate and strike simultaneously. It
has long been publicly known that the
strike, rise, supposed to have been con-
coited by the dock companies, was a de-
lusion. The dockers are really worse off
than ever. Since combination among the
dockers has failed, the men at Dutch,
Belgian, and German ports to help the
Thames strikers. The dock companies have
refused all the men's demands.

QUEEN NOT TO RETIRE.
The rumor which for some time past
has been circulating in society circles
that the Queen was about to abdicate, is
entirely without foundation.

THE SOCIALISTS ADJOURN.
Reassembled Their Deliberations, as
Was Expected, Nl.

LONDON, August 1.—This was the last
day of the International Socialist Trades
Congress, and aside from an academic dis-
cussion of social questions, its results, as
was expected, have been nil. It was de-
cided to hold the next Congress would be
held in Germany in 1899. If the politi-
cal difficulties in that country prevented the
holding of the congress there, then it
would be held in Paris in 1900. It was also
decided that Anarchists would not be ad-
mitted as delegates to the next congress.

Prior to their adjournment the dele-
gates hurriedly adopted a number of resolu-
tions, including one in favor of granting
amnesty to political prisoners.

When the question of the next congress
was under discussion, the American dele-
gates proposed that New York be selected
as the next place of meeting. They said
they would arrange to charter a steamer
to convey delegates from Europe to the
United States, but the proposal was re-
jected on account of the expense.

The Anarchists who had been refused
admission to the congress as delegates
submitted a declaration of their views on
the subject of the ball, and there signified their
disapproval of the proposal by shouting,
"Long live anarchy!" After cheering for
Socialism and singing "Auld Lang Syne"
and the "Marseillaise," the congress ad-
journed.

SPANISH GOLD FOR INFORMERS.
Alleged Attempt to Bribe Captain of
the Lauroda.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., August 1.—The
Spanish Government is determined to pre-
vent, if possible, filibustering expeditions
from leaving this country for Cuba. To
further guard against filibustering for in-
formation leading to the capture within
Spanish waters of a filibustering expedi-
tion.

Captain Murphy, commander of the
Lauroda, has received the following letter
from the Spanish consul, Jose Congosto,
at Consulado de Espana, Manila, Philip-
pines:

"Ten thousand dollars will be paid by

AT BRIGHTON BEACH.
WEATHER FINE; ATTENDANCE
LARGE; SPORT OF HIGH ORDER.
A PLAYER DEEPLY IN DEBT.

Will He Settle in the Question of
the Hour-Winged Foot and Sea-
gull Handicap—Other Events of
Interest.

BRIGHTON BEACH RACE-TRACK.
August 1.—Weather fine. Attendance
large. The sport was of high order, and
the finish in nearly every event was close.
The principal events on the programme
were the Winged Foot Handicap, of the
value of \$1,500, for 2-year-olds, and the
Seagull Handicap, of the same value,
for 3-year-olds. There were three start-
ers in the first named event, and it was
captured by Voter, whose odds were 18
to 5, with the favorite, Clophas, second,
and the second choice, Lithos, third.

The players in the ring were all talking
this afternoon of a well-known player
of races, not a professional, whose in-
debtedness in the ring is said to amount
to nearly \$40,000. The man's name can-
not be mentioned, inasmuch as it is not
known positively that he will not settle.
His name, it is said, would cause a sen-
sation.

First race—one and one sixteenth
miles—The Dragon 008, Sloane, 5 to 2, and
Refugee third. Time, 1:48 1/2.

Second race—six furlongs—Turquoise
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man second, and Kaiser Ludwig third.
Time, 1:14.

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Fourth race—seven furlongs—Miss Emma
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second, and Parson third. Time, 1:21 1/2.

Fifth race—one mile—Fashehatch 014,
Taylor, even, won, with Belvoir second,
and Hill Ellison third. Time, 1:43 1/4.

Sixth race—six furlongs—Lyrana 051,
Burns, 5 to 1, won, with Laura second,
and Guard third. Time, 1:15.

Seventh race—seven furlongs—Sligo 015,
T. Murphy, 5 to 1, won, with Dare II second,
and Johnny McHale third. Time, 1:23.

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the report of the work of the sub-commit-
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with the movement. In addition to the
foregoing members, there were present
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of nineteen States had already organized
and named their committeemen, instruct-
ing them to attend the Indianapolis meet-
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The committee meeting a telegram
was received from Charles G. Baker, of
Seattle, stating that a conference there-
to-day had chosen Judge Thomas
Burke to represent Washington.

The committee was advised that in the
following States action was being taken,
which would result in naming committeemen:
Colorado, Idaho, Montana, North
Dakota, and North Dakota.

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the convention call, with the other five
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HANNA MEETS PLATT
CAMPAIGN PLANS FOR NEW YORK
MADE AGREEABLE TO THOS. C.

A GREAT MANY CALLERS ON MARK.
Ohio Republican Campaign to Be
Opened at Columbus the 15th—
Reed, Foraker, and Sherman to Be
the Speakers—Harrison.

NEW YORK, August 1.—The meeting
between Chairman Mark A. Hanna, of the
National Republican Committee, and Mr.
Thomas C. Platt, which has been expected
for some days, took place this after-
noon. Apparently the conference was pre-
arranged, although the announcement was
made at national headquarters this morn-
ing that no formal invitation had been
sent to Mr. Platt and his friends.

Mr. Hanna was at his desk at head-
quarters nearly all day. He went to the
Waldorf for lunch at 2 P. M., and returned
at 2:30. At 2:35 Mr. Platt arrived. He
was accompanied by Charles W. Hackett,
chairman of the State Committee, and
Edward Lauterbach, chairman of the
County Committee. The three gentlemen
were met by Colonel Swords, the sergeant-
at-arms, and escorted at once to Mr. Han-
na's room. Vice-Presidential Candidate
Garret A. Hobart and National Commit-
teeman Scott were present at the con-
ference, which lasted one hour and a half.

When the meeting was over, Messrs.
Platt, Hackett, and Lauterbach, said, as
they made their way to the elevator, that
the talk had been most pleasant, and that
absolute harmony had prevailed. Mr.
Platt said that active campaign work
would begin in this State at an early day,
and by his smiles it was plain that the
regular organization will have charge.

Mr. Hanna was asked if ex-President
Harrison had agreed to speak at the first
meeting in this city. Mr. Platt said
Harrison had been invited by the local
organization, but has deferred his answer.
We all hope he will speak.

Mr. Hanna saw a great many callers to-
day. National-Committeeman C. L. Kurtz,
of Ohio, was among the number. Mr.
Kurtz said that the campaign in McKim-
ley's State would be opened August 15th
in a mammoth meeting at Columbus. The
speakers at this city will be Hon. Thomas H.
Reed of Maine, and Governor Foraker
and Senator John Sherman, of Ohio.

Roswell G. Horr, who has been booked
to talk sound money in Nebraska, said
he would speak at Lincoln, August 6th, and
would deliver five speeches in Mr. Bryan's
State. Mr. Hanna left town this afternoon,
to spend Sunday with his sister, Mrs. H. W.
Jones, of Englewood, N. J.

TAPPAHANNOCK.
The Normal Closes—Industrial Ex-
ercises—Political.

TAPPAHANNOCK, VA., August 1.—
(Special.)—The session of the State nor-
mal in Tappahannock closed Friday.
The spelling contest Friday evening was
largely attended, and was won by Miss
Taylor, of Westmoreland county. Miss
Lizette Rouze, of Essex, being a close
second.

Some of the instructors have gone on
a fishing excursion, and expect to remain
in Tappahannock for some time longer.
The fishing is exceptionally good in this
section this summer.

Rev. Edward Barber and family will
return to Washington next week.
Mr. George Croston has nearly com-
pleted a new dam at his mill, on Haskins
creek, two miles from town, and expects
to begin grinding very soon. The dam is
an expensive one, and will be a decided
benefit to the mill, which has been sorely felt in Tap-
pahannock and vicinity for a long time.

The bending works of H. B. Shimp &
Co. are in full operation, and turning out
as many rims as are to be found in the
country.

THE PEACHES.
Several wagon-loads of prime peaches
have been hauled to the wharf here this
week, and then hauled back, on receipt of
news that the shipments were not selling
for enough to pay the freight.

Mr. B. B. Brockhouse is making
brandy of his crop, as far as he is able to
handle it with the limited capacity of his
still.

A meeting of Democrats in the court-
house yesterday evening organized a club
under the name of the Bryan-Seawell-
Jones Club, of Tappahannock. Hon.
Thomas E. Blakey, was elected president,
and Mr. J. H. Jones, of the party, was
elected vice-president. The club was
organized to bring every voter possible
into line.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.
The following was offered, and unani-
mously adopted: Resolved, That this
club desires to emphatically ex-
press its sentiments that none but
Democrats in heavy numbers should
will of the party, as settled by the arbi-
trament of the national convention, be
put on guard. And that it, therefore, be-
comes the duty of the Democratic Na-
tional Committee to take the necessary
action directly, or through the interve-
nion of the State committee, if such course
will secure as a national committeeman
a Democrat who is in accord with the
majority of the party.

THE PRESIDENT FISHING.
He is Having Fine Weather for the
Sport.

MASHPEE, MASS., August 1.—The
President and his party are having fine
weather for their two days' fishing here.
The place is rather isolated, being nearly
eight miles from the nearest railroad
and telegraph station, and the party have
the only hospitality in the town all to
themselves.

There were many of the villagers about
last evening when it became known
that the President was in town, anxious
to glimpse him.

Richard Watson Gilder joined the party
at Mashpee.

The Weather.
WASHINGTON, August 1.—Forecast
for Virginia: Local rains, followed
by clearing weather; no change in
temperature; southerly winds,
shifting to westerly.

North Carolina: Partly cloudy weather,
with local thunder-storms; easterly to
southerly winds; warmer in the interior.
The cloudiness has increased on the At-
lantic coast, and the weather is generally
clear in the Mississippi Valley and west-
ward to the Rocky Mountains.

THE WEATHER IN RICHMOND YESTERDAY
was clear and cooler. The skies at mid-
night were overcast.

State of thermometer:
8 A. M. 73
9 A. M. 79
10 A. M. 83
11 A. M. 87
12 M. 85
1 P. M. 83
2 P. M. 81
3 P. M. 79
4 P. M. 77
5 P. M. 75
6 P. M. 73
7 P. M. 71
8 P. M. 69
9 P. M. 67
10 P. M. 65
11 P. M. 63
12 M. 61
Total 1014